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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

STRANDBERG et al.

Attention:

Serial No. 09/926,340

BOX PCT

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: FLUFF PULP FOR ABSORPTION PRODUCTS

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181(a)  
REQUESTING WITHDRAWAL OF THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned attorney received a Notification of Abandonment in connection with the above identified application. The Notice indicated that the above identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on November 9, 2001. The date mailed for the Notice of Abandonment is November 13, 2002.

The undersigned attorney has reviewed the file of the above-identified application in detail and asserts that the file does not contain the Notice to File Missing Parts. The undersigned also has reviewed the docket entries for the appropriate time and concludes that the Official Action has never been received in the Office of the undersigned attorney. Applicants request that the Official Action be re-mailed so that a response can be filed.

The undersigned attorney filed the application without an executed declaration. Otherwise, it is believed that the application was complete. Therefore, it is likely that the Official Action was a notice to file missing parts which usually sets a period of response for two months. This means that the period for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts would have been docketed for a response due on January 9, 2002. As

may be seen from the attached copy of a print out of the docket sheet for January 9, 2002, there is no response due for this case on that date.

The undersigned has reviewed all of the facts surrounding the missing Official Action and can attest to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office communication was not received.

Accordingly, it is most respectfully requested that the abandonment be withdrawn and a new Official Action be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT

The United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has made the following determination:

- Applicant has failed to respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS, mailed 11/09/2001 within the time period set therein.

*STRA3004*  
 Date 11-19-02 Atty REF  
 Action Due Abandonment ??  
 Deadline 12-13-02  
 Final Deadline Same  
*Note: No action since filing date 10/16/01*

Therefore, the above identified application failed to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495, and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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